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Hongkong, 18th January, 1889.

BIRTH.

On the 16th January, at Paris, the wife of T. H. HUGHES, Commissioner of Imperial Chinese Customs, of a daughter.

DEATH.

On the 14th January, at 17, Bon Accord-square, Aberdeen, Scotland, JAMES SMITH BRAZIER, F.R.C.S., Emeritus Professor of Chemistry, University of Aberdeen, aged 63 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1889.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

RESIGNATION OF THE FRENCH MINISTRY.

LONDON, February 16th.

The Ministry has resigned owing to the Chamber of Deputies having voted the adjournment of the debate upon the revision of the constitution.

A manifesto issued by General Boulanger claims credit for the overthrow of the Cabinet and announces an impending dissolution.

(From the *Strait Times*.)
FRENCH POLITICS.

PARIS, January 31st.

In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, M. Floquet presented his Bill for reviving the scrutin d'arrondissement, and announced the measures Government would take for the suppression of attempts made to endanger the security of the State, for the prevention of paid agitation, and for making press laws more stringent.

THE NEW KING OF ANNAM.

Bunlan, aged ten years, son of Tuduc, has been elected King of Annam, and pending his coming of age, a regency will be carried on under Hwaideu.

PRINCE RUDOLPH'S SUICIDE.

VIENNA, January 31st.

The Emperor Francis Joseph has been profoundly affected by the sad occurrence, and is prostrate with grief. His Majesty expressly desires that the funeral shall be a simple one, and that only relatives be asked to attend it; but for this the Prince of Wales had fully intended being present. The lying-in-state will take place on Monday next, and the funeral on Tuesday at the Capuchin's Church.

GOVERNMENT COERCION IN IRELAND.

LONDON, February 1st.

After Mr. O'Brien's arrest at Manchester on Tuesday, he was conveyed to Clonmel gaol, and on arrival there yesterday was requested, in accordance with the rules, to put on prison clothes, which he obstinately refused to do; the warders then had to resort to force, and after a desperate struggle succeeded in stripping him and putting on a prison garb, after which his beard was shaved off.

GERMANY AND THE UNITED STATES.

February 9th.

The United States Government has agreed to a conference with regard to Samoa, Germany in the meantime to abstain from warfare.

MR. O'BRIEN'S IMPRISONMENT.

Several thousands of people assembled in Hyde Park yesterday in spite of a heavy snowstorm, to protest against the treatment of Mr. O'Brien in Clonmel gaol.

Mr. Balfour has written a letter denying the ill-treatment, and stating that Mr. O'Brien is both well and cheerful.

MR. PARNELL AND THE "TIMES."

February 12th.

Mr. Parnell has commenced an action in the Irish Courts against *The Times*.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

COMMODORE Church arrived this morning by the P. & O. Steamer *Pekin*, from London.

POPOW's trial is fixed for Thursday morning at ten o'clock, until which time the Sessions have been adjourned.

The American Musical Comedy and Opera Comedy left Singapore for Australia, via Batavia, on the 10th inst.

THE Irish Jubilee Singers, now performing in New Zealand, intending visiting India and China prior to proceeding to America.

MR. N. G. MITCHELL-INNES, of the Hongkong Civil Service, has passed a public examination before the Council of Legal Education.

A TELEGRAM from Nagasaki, dated the 14th inst., states that Viscount Mori, the Japanese Minister of Education, has been assassinated at Tokio by a religious fanatic.

THE schooner *Iris* arrived at Singapore from this port on the evening of the 9th inst., having made the passage in six days. Her best run for 24 hours was 298 miles—very good travelling indeed for a "wind-jammer."

THE *Courrier d'Haiphong* reports that the *Quan-an* of Hanoi, formerly *Huyen* of Thonquin, who was accused of participating in a conspiracy against the Protectorate, was arrested on the 29th ult. and confined in the prison of the Citadel.

CAPTAIN BLACKBURN, Band President of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, requests us to state that the Band and Pipes of the Regiment will play in the Public Gardens every alternate Saturday at 4.15 p.m., and on every other Saturday at the Cricket Ground at 3.30 p.m., weather permitting. We are certain that the community will greatly appreciate this courtesy.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the races to-morrow:

Quadrille "Topsy Turvy".....William.
"Sweet Vows".....Roder.
Polka "The Merry Dancers".....Gung.
"The Merry Dancers".....Gung.
Gavotte "Stephanie".....Cibula.
Gavotte "Auf den Daven Up and Off".....Faust.

WE had a visit this morning from Mr. J. Murdoch, the special correspondent of the *Brisbane Doomerang*, a smartly written weekly journal that has lately made considerable progress in the Colonies as the semi-socialist advocate of advanced democratic policy. Mr. Murdoch, who has been on a special mission for some months in Japan, has been summoned by wire to Brisbane, but expects to revisit the Far East within six months.

THE Hamburg correspondent of the *London and China Express* writes on the 15th ult.:—The Steamship Company Swatow, of Hamburg, has acquired from the shipbuilding firm of Blohm and Voss a new steamship of about 1,000 registered tons, which will be named *Swatow*, and will be employed in the Chinese coasting trade, where already three steamers are trading for the same company. The *Swatow* was launched this afternoon at four o'clock. It is a fine boat, and thoroughly well built.

JAMES Daly, bedad, and Giovanni Aiello, cost-petto, went out to make Rome howl last night. They kicked in a door in Jubilee Street, and were going to bat the piece when the vigilant McDougall gathered them in. The verdict this morning was two dollars each, and \$5 more for the benefit of a new door.—Patrick Dillon, of Ireland, and William Donohue, who said he was an Italian, owned up to being breezy and unintentionally blacking a watchman's eye about the same time, so they escaped with a dollar fine.

WE learn from our Haiphong contemporary that great uneasiness was felt for the safety of the despatch boat *Pluvier*, which left that port on the 2nd inst. for Hui, with the Regent Nguyen Hiep on board. Up to the 8th no advice had been received of the vessel's arrival at Thuan-an, and the gunboats *Comte* and *Lion* were despatched in search of her. A telegram was later on received to the effect that the *Pluvier* had arrived at the anchorage near the Island of Colo-Cam, 15 miles south of Touron, with her engines disabled.

ABOUT four days ago, Mr. Thurburn, of the Chartered Mercantile Bank, discharged a chair-coach. A night or two afterwards the fellow, in revenge, broke in and stole a valuable chair-coach, which was presented by the present Chief Justice to Mr. Thurburn on his marriage, a pair of mother-of-pearl opera-glasses, and an umbrella, together with a uniform belonging to another coolie. He sold the things and went on the spree up Square Street with the proceeds, but, as usual, a woman gave him away, and Inspector Quincey recovered the property. He was charged before Mr. Wedhouse to-day, along with the marine-store dealer and a woman who received the articles, and remanded, the woman being discharged.

THE Singapore *Free Press* of the 11th inst. says:—"We have had the pleasure of inspecting some gold brought down from the Panjom mines by Mr. Becker. It is in the form of an ingot stamped on the face 'P.M.' and weighs over seven pounds (actually 85.7 oz. Troy), sufficiently large and weighty to give a pleasurable sensation. At \$2 an ounce it would fetch nearly \$1,700. All this may mean a great deal for the Panjom Co.'s shareholders—and it may mean nothing; but it would be interesting to know by whose authority Mr. Becker has been making a public exhibition in Singapore of the Company's business! Well may the investors in this champion of local gambling stocks exclaim—"Oh, save us from our managers!"

WE are in receipt of a letter dated Manila the 14th inst. and referring to the Rabelaisian adventures of a provincial Vicar who narrowly escaped being beaten to death by an infuriated husband for unlawfully trespassing on his domestic sanctum. It appears that the apostle of virginity was in the habit of going on midnight rounds in search of proselytes, and that happening to find one in the person of a married lady, the injured husband, on learning the success of the adventure, went in pursuit of the man of God, and reduced his human frame divine to a pulp besides inflicting eighteen wounds. The priest escaped the last penalty by shamming his effects so cleverly that his pursuer gave him up for dead.

THE BRITISH CRUISER *Heroine*, Capt. C. J. Balfour,

arrived afternoon from Shanghai and the gunvessel *Swift*, Capt. the Hon. R. Bingham, from Manila.

THE total value of goods imported in 1888 into the three principal ports of the Philippines—Manila, Iloilo, and Cebu, was \$31,201,477.92; the exports aggregating \$27,750,447.

WE note that the Post and Stamp offices will close at noon on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, that there will be no afternoon Peak Delivery, and that the night Box will be kept open.

MANILA papers report the arrival, by the steamer *Naniting*, of Mr. D. H. Satow, who has been commissioned by the Japanese Government to make a special study of all the countries he is to visit during a trip round the world.

It is reported, says the *Courrier d'Haiphong*, that the marines in the French navy will be transformed into a 20th Army Corps under the command of General Bousant. The corps will consist of two divisions, under Generals Briere de l'Isle and Beguin respectively, subdivided into four brigades.

MESSRS. WHELOCK & CO.'S Shanghai *Freight Market Report* of the 14th inst. has the following shipping particulars:—Quotations are—New-chang to Swatow, season closed; Chefoo to Swatow, 13 Mex. cents per picul, small demands; Nagasaki to Shanghai, \$1.70 per ton of Coal net, for steamers; \$1.70 ex ship, for sailing vessels, nominal. Settlements during the fortnight:—*Alvina Seyd*, German steamer, 558 tons register, Nagasaki to Shanghai, \$1.75 per ton coal, despatch; *Hedvig*, British barque, 375 tons, Swallow to Tientsin, \$2.20, 20 day days; *Sax Swallow*, British barque, 330 tons, Shanghai to Tientsin, private terms; *Mayne*, British steamer, 1,214 tons, Wuhu and Chinkiang to Whampoa, private terms. Disengaged vessel in port:—*Antoinette*, British barque, 884 tons register.

THE gilded youth of Hongkong missed a very good chance of airing its dresscoat and toadyism last night, at Madame Korff's concert. That courageous lady, undeterred by the failure of the first concert a week ago, gave a second entertainment of classical music last night in St. Andrew's Hall, and was rewarded for her enterprise by a very fair audience, including H.E. the Governor and Lady de la Warr, and some of the best people in the Colony. As a high class concert Madame Korff's entertainment was a decided success. Two people can't give much of a show as a rule, but this talented lady, who has been a pupil of Liszt, Bulow, and other long-haired geniuses, contrived with the aid of Mdlle. Maillard, to keep her listeners interested from beginning to end. Her execution of a sonata by Beethoven and various classic creations of Liszt, Schumann, and others, was full of brilliancy and expression, her high-stepping, hair-trigger style of fingering being much admired. In the vocal line Mdlle. Maillard was equally successful; her voice was both flexible and sweet. Mr. Greig obliged, halfway through, with an Italian song, which he borrowed for the purpose from Madame Korff. *Finis* conclusion was much applauded.

A CORRESPONDENT writes:—"In these days of floating palaces *regie* voyages are occasionally attended with considerable luxury and comfort. This was the case in a special degree on the last outward trip of the Messageries steamer *Melbourne*. Liferenders rendered thorough pleasure enjoyable by the unceasing efforts and courtesy of Commandant Vimont and his officers. Everything possible was done to make the passengers happy and the days passed very rapidly. The festivities during Christmas week were of a particularly attractive and amusing nature. Father Xmas was very much himself in his usual garb and made merry the juvenile actors in theatricals. There was one round of gaiety, including concerts, masquerades, *tableaux vivants*, theatricals, a tumbola in aid of the Societe de Nautique, &c., and all went off very successfully, owing almost entirely to the extreme kindness and constant attention of the commandant and his officers. The table was also all that could be desired and we hope it may be our good fortune to travel in the good ship *Melbourne* under the command of so good and genial a sailor as Commandant Vimont. Through your columns his grateful passengers desire to convey to him their warmest thanks and to wish him a most pleasant return voyage."

It is to be hoped, says the *L. & C. Express*, the people who are responsible for such craft as the *Firebrand* being put to hard labour on the China Station will be ashamed of themselves when they read of the privations and discomfort endured by all on board of her during her recent passage from Singapore to Hongkong. She is a slow old wooden gun tub, built twelve years ago, of 455 tons, armed with two worn out 64 pounders, and capable of steaming seven knots at her best, but she was thought good enough to search for sunken reefs in the Malacca Straits. She took in coal at Labuan, and all who have ever tried to know what rubbish that is, so it is small wonder that the time she got with only 50 miles of Manila, only six tons of it remained in the bunkers, out of the 40, which is all the vessel stows. By this time, too, there were only 400 gallons of fresh water on board, so it was decided to save the coal for distilling purposes and make for some islands, where wood and water could be got, under sail. The wood was no use, it would not even get up enough steam to work the donkey pumps, and the bilges stank so abominably that the crew were at work from four a.m. till nine p.m. one Sunday, trying to cleanse them. The supply of fresh water soon ran short again, for the class of ship is almost entirely dependent on its distilling apparatus, and each person was put on an allowance of a quart a day. The *Firebrand* was thirty days from Singapore to Manila, and had only ten days' provisions left, while the crew are said to have looked very haggard and worn, as well they might.

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before the Chief Justice.)

At the adjourned Sessions this morning the jurors were Messrs. G. L. Duncan, L. Ogilvie, A. Cares, E. M. Franco, V. S. da Souza, A. Clintock, and J. Meier.

THE TAI-KOK-TEU CASE.

Six men pleaded not guilty to a charge of being armed and entering a dwelling-house at Tai-kok-teu on the 26th January, and stealing a quantity of property. Two of them were also charged with assaulting two Sikhs constables.

The Acting Attorney General prosecuted. On the night in question fifteen armed men broke into two houses across the water and by their threats so terrified the inmates that they were enabled to steal some \$80 worth of property without interruption. P.C. Osman Deen came up and seized one of the men, and although set upon and wounded severely, most courageously stuck to the man and secured his arrest. In so doing he was severely assaulted by the rest, and confined to Hospital for some weeks. The prisoners were found guilty, but sentence was deferred.

ALLIED ROBBERY.

Kiu Asa, was charged with stealing two bracelets from a woman on the 16th ult. On that day prisoner tried to sell a worthless ring

to the woman and when she handed him her bangles, he threw the ring into a basket she was carrying, and ran away. The case broke down, as evidently the woman had been foolish and a party to the swindle. The prisoner was discharged with a caution.

The Sessions then adjourned till Thursday morning.

THE SONGHEI KOYAH PLANTING CO., LIMITED.

The first statutory meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held at noon to-day at the Hongkong Hotel. The Hon. B. Layton presided, and Messrs. H. L. Dalrymple, E. George, N. N. J. Ezra, F. Grimble, A. G. Stokes, W. Wotton, and J. A. Mosley, (Secretary) were present.

The Chairman said the meeting was simply the statutory one called by the Ordinance, and beyond telling them that the capital had been all subscribed and that the work was going on satisfactorily there was nothing to say, except in answer to any questions.

There being none, the meeting terminated.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

The annual meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held this afternoon at the offices, Victoria Buildings. The Hon. P. Ryrie presided, and among those present were Messrs. H. L. Dalrymple, W. H. Forbes, L. Poesnecker, St. C. Michaelson, N. A. Siebs, (Directors), C. A. Olorio, J. H. Cox, G. Sharp, R. H. Hill, (Swatow), G. Murray Bain, H. Crawford, J. M. Figueiredo, J. R. Michel, H. M. R. Pereira, A. M. Carvalho, and G. Slade, representing 1838 shares.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the report and statement of accounts said:—

Owing to the very large number of fires which occurred in 1887 the losses under 1887 policies were greater than we anticipated. During 1887 we paid claims amounting to \$145,171, equal to 71.40 per cent. of the premium paid. However it may be satisfactory to you to know that in spite of this heavy loss the accounts are favorable all round. It is a very great proof, to my mind, that in spite of the frequency of fires and the losses occurring from them, the Company receives year by year a larger support than previously. I have taken into consideration the diminution of premium as compared with previous years, and that we are prepared to go on nearly as satisfactorily as previously. I think it cannot be anything but satisfactory. In 1886, again, the fires were numerous, but through the Company restricting its operations to certain classes of risks its losses in that year have so far been very moderate. Since the commencement of the present year we have paid claims amounting to \$3,133, and there is nothing now unsettled. Since the commencement of this year fires have been very much fewer than in the corresponding period of 1888. I don't think we can always expect to be so free from them as we have been during the last month and a half, but still it is satisfactory to know we have got over that period without loss. The securities of the Company have been thoroughly examined by the directors, and all pronounced sound and good.

Mr. Hill seconded the motion for the adoption of the minutes. Agreed.

Mr. G. Sharp proposed the confirmation of Mr. Siebs election as director.

Mr. Olorio seconded. Agreed.

Mr. Murray Bain proposed the re-election of Messrs. Forbes and Poesnecker, the retiring directors.

Mr. Pereira seconded. Agreed.

Mr. Michaelson proposed the re-election of Messrs. Cox and Lyall as auditors.

Mr. George seconded. Agreed.

INCREASE OF RISKS.

An extraordinary meeting was then held.

The Chairman said:—The object of this meeting is to obtain the consent of the shareholders to a change in the articles of association which has been contemplated by the directors for the last three years, but did not become of pressing necessity until now. The proposal is to increase the limit of risk hitherto made binding on the Company from \$100,000 to \$150,000. This increase is required for the purpose of taking a larger line than at present, and consequently running heavier risks, but in order to enable the Company to accommodate itself to the modern warehouse system which has grown up in Hongkong, Shanghai, and elsewhere. It will be obvious that the aggregate of the Company's policies upon, say, the Kowloon Godowns is more than a lakh of dollars, but neither the Company nor the policy-holders can tell that the risks are so divided as that the sum represented in any one godown shall at no time exceed \$100,000. Indeed it is almost certain that the immense sorting godowns frequently hold much more. Therefore the directors wish to increase the risks by \$50,000, which is similar to that asked and obtained from the shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company in 1886. I think you will see that if we are to keep pace with other Companies it is absolutely necessary that we should do this. It has been a trouble to us for some little time to know what risks to take on the Associated Godowns at Shanghai, or the Godowns Wharf Company. By this increase you will place the Secretary and Directors in a position to take business which they have to decline. He then proposed the Article No. 9 of the Articles of Association be altered by eliminating therefrom the words "One Hundred Thousand" and substituting therefor the words "One Hundred and Fifty Thousand."

Mr. Dalrymple seconded, and it was agreed to unanimously.

The Chairman having announced that the dividend warrants would be ready on Saturday, the proceedings terminated.

SPORTING GOSSIP.

The final gallops having taken place, with more or less satisfaction to those concerned, the time has now arrived when I can on a fairly reliable basis proceed to give my views as to the probable results of the forthcoming races. Judging from present appearances the weather will be exceptionally fine, and that means a hard trial for a race that is so long. Yesterday's trials, which went off both time and space, prevented me from detailing in last night's *Telegraph* were unusually interesting and some capital performance were registered, especially by the Derby candidates, which are, taken all round, the best lot of griffins ever seen in this colony, and I shall expect to see Ambassador's record of 3 min. 18.3 seconds, made in 1883, easily pegged back into second place.

To-morrow's lengthy programme will commence with the half-mile Wong-wei-chong Stakes, and for this event the probable starters are Skipjack, Vanquisher or Vespasian, Hotspur, Dunkeld, Maloja, Roy Morn, and Alala. On recent trials from Maloja, who beat Dunkeld in the Northern Cup at the Shanghai Winter Meeting in 60.2 seconds, would appear to have the best chance, and it is quite likely that Mr. Tell's flying chesnut has improved considerably since last November. The hard ground will be all in favour of this speedy non-stayer, and there cannot be the least doubt that he will be very difficult to beat nevertheless. I cannot

regard Maloja as a true race-pony and shall expect to see him overhauled before he quite reaches the winning post. Dunkeld's prowess over this distance is too well known to require elaboration at my hands, and the ancient sprinter is certainly in the pink of condition, but age will tell, and even with the assistance of his old pilot I gravely doubt whether he still possesses the dash which has so frequently borne him to victory. Hotspur is a speedy pony that must not be lost sight of, and I have timed him to be good enough to get very close to 60 seconds; still I would prefer Skipjack, if Mr. Buxey decides to send his exceptionally good looking bay griffin for this event instead of saving him for the Canton Cup. Unless Mr. Humphreys sends Defiance, which is hardly likely, one scarcely hopes to see the ball successfully, neither of his half dozen griffins having performed like sprinters. Rosy is such a handy one at getting away that he will be sure to show prominently, but another old'un, the once famous Con Impeto (now known as Alala), seems to have lost the tremendous speed that once distinguished him. To sum up on an event that is always attended with considerable uncertainty, I think that Skipjack (always providing he is sent) will have most to fear from Rosy Morn and Maloja.

A comparatively large field will contest the Ashley Cup, and I am not very far from the mark in naming Silken Mead, Bombshell, Defiance, Vengeance, Vendetta, Precursor, Ganges, St. Gothard, Mont Blanc, Lochinvar, and Gone Away as the probable starters. On his best form Defiance would doubtless have an easy task set him, but as the Tientsin "crack" has never really had a fast gallop during training and is, moreover, under suspicion of being handicapped with a "dicky" leg, his victory is not exactly a certainty. Silken Mead is not quite good enough, Bombshell is slightly lacking in speed, Honesty will probably decline to do his best, Vendetta (or Pacolet) will be outclassed, and Lochinvar and Gone Away have possibly seen their best day. This leaves us with Mr. Tell's selected and Ganges, and unless St. Gothard or Mont Blanc is sent to the post, cherry time, nothing would surprise me less than to see Mr. Sid's speedy grey stretching the neck of the Tientsin 1,500-yards.

The following will about comprise the Derby field:—

Owner. Pony. Jockey.

Messrs. Morgan and White's White Faika... Mr. Von Tanser

Mr. Benedict's... Mr. Machado

Mr. Buxey's... Mr. Sampson

Mr. Buxey's... Mr. K. K.

Mr. J. D. Humphreys... Mr. Hart Buck

Mr. John Peck's... Mr. Russell

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It is reported that the American Government are negotiating for the purchase of a large steamer to be employed in the Pacific as a cruiser. The feeling of irritation at the action of Germany is increasing, but the Cabinet is still undecided. Both the Congress and Senate are assuming a bellicose attitude.

PARIS, January 28th.
It is announced that M. Floquet, the Premier, will not resign unless the Chamber of Deputies pass a vote of confidence in the Ministry. M. Floquet forthwith introduced a bill to restore the *scrutin d'ensemble* or single ballot system, whereby each arrondissement returns its own member, and also a bill to prevent plebiscites and intrigues. The officers against the provisions of those measures are to be liable to transportation.

ROME, January 28th.
At the opening of the Italian Parliament, in the speech from the throne, King Humbert referred to his recent visit to the Emperor William, of Germany, which proved the strong ties existing between Germany and Italy. A strong army and fleet, were necessary to guarantee Italian unity, but Italy and her allies would work earnestly for peace.

LONDON, January 28th.
France has agreed to the continuation of the Egyptian mixed tribunals for five years longer. Several merchants who have arrived at Suakin report that the Mahdi's white prisoners are Egyptians.

The recovery of Hates, the cricketer, is hopeful. In the Reichstag, Bismarck declared himself opposed to colonial enthusiasts, but forced to respond to public opinion.

January 20th.
The ship *Sir Walter Raleigh*, which left Sydney in November last with a cargo of wool and other produce, has been wrecked on the coast of France. Five persons were drowned. Tenders have been called for the South Australian Government loan of £1,875,000, bearing 3 per cent. interest at par.

January 30th.
The brokers have coldly received the South Australian loan. They say that the minimum is too high at the present time. The loan, however, has been quiet at a quarter premium. In the Hungarian Diet, the Army Bill was read a second time, and passed by a large majority. There were violent scenes inside and outside the Diet.

The Reichstag has passed the East African Bill a second time.
Mr. W. O'Brien addressed Jacob Bright's meeting at Manchester, and declared that French and Russian dynamiters were offered more protection in Britain than Irish agitators. The audience sought to prevent O'Brien's arrest and rushed the platform. An excited scene preceded his capture, which eventually was effected.

Italy has ordered 16 of the heaviest guns from England.

The chief American Ministers at the European courts have been created Ambassadors.
The British Admiralty has decided to enlist 2000 marines.

NAVAL NEWS.

The new United States Government cruiser *Vesuvius* in her trial trip averaged twenty-one and one-sixth knots per hour. Mr. Whitney, the Secretary to the Admiralty, states that she is the fastest armed cruiser in the world.

The Admiralty have issued orders for the steel cruiser *Leander*, to 3,750 tons, 5,500-horse power, Captain M. J. Dunlop, to be recommissioned for another term of service on the China Station. The *Leander* will pay off at Hongkong, whither new officers and men will be conveyed to her in the troopship *Orentus*.

It appears that, taking one thing with another, says the *Admiralty and Horse Guards Gazette*, that the flagship on the China Station consumes a quarter of a ton of coal for every mile she travels. Her coal consumption is reported to have been 5,000 tons, and the distance she has covered since leaving England 21,000 miles.

A valuable addition to the effective strength of the Royal Navy has been made by the completion for sea of the new first-class armoured cruiser *Narcissus*, which is ordered to be placed in the first division of the Medway Steam Reserve and kept ready for commission. The *Narcissus* is equipped with two 22-ton and 10 5-ton breech-loading guns, together with 16 quick-firing guns and torpedo armaments. She is fitted with engines of 8,500-horse power, and is capable of steaming nearly 19 knots per hour.

The following appointments have been made at the Admiralty:—Harcourt W. B. Delafosse, assistant paymaster, to the *Leander*, to date Feb. 14; Staff-Commander Edwin H. Richards, to the *Audacious*, to date Jan. 11; Captain R. Watson and Staff Engineer M. R. Miller to the *Leander*; Lieut. Thomas H. Fisher and Lieut. George G. Howell, both to date Feb. 1; Lieut. Cunningham R. C. Post and Lieut. Ernest A. Martin, both dated, Lieut. Philip H. Colomb and Lieut. Arthur V. Meggidge, both to date Feb. 1, all to the *Leander*.

The Admiralty have ordered the new composite gun-vessel *Pigmy*, 675 tons, 1,200-horse power, preparing for sea at Sheerness Dockyard, to be fitted for service on the China Station, where she is to take the place of the *Expor*, 445 tons, 470-horse power, Lieut. Commander Reginald V. Smith, which will shortly complete her second term of service. The *Expor* will return to England to pay off, it being the intention of the Admiralty to bring home all the slow going gunboats serving abroad at the termination of their present commissions, replacing them with new gun-vessels of greater speed and more efficient armaments.

Captain May, in command of the *Imperieuse* on the China Station, has reported to the Admiralty the substantial disablement of her auxiliary armament of 6-in. breechloaders. It appears that, while engaged at prize-firing at Port Hamilton, the locks in the breechloaders fitted so badly that they were constantly being blown out. None of the crew were seriously hurt, but there were several narrow escapes. The defects eventually caused so alarming that the captain suspended the prize-firing, and continued to fire by means of the electric circuit. Several rounds were fired with crusher gauges attached to the blocks, when it was found that the pressures developed by the explosion of the charges were greatly in excess of what ought to be the case with slow-burning powder.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

KOHLMA, January 26th.
The Nagai expedition has returned to British territory, having accomplished successfully the objects for which it was intended. On the 9th inst. an advance was made by Mr. Porteous and Lieutenant MacIntyre from Noksen. Yau had been burned by his inhabitants before our party arrived. Two miles further on in the village of Sontek, and a quarter of a mile short of it the enemy had erected a breastwork of stones and logs, with a deep ditch 50 yards in front, thickly panfled.

While the Deputy Commissioner was making pacific overtures, a shower of arrows was

discharged at 300 yards' distance by the enemy, our men miraculously escaping. The enemy had over-estimated the range. A volley was fired at the barricade, and it was charged with the bayonet. The enemy, who lost one killed and several wounded, fled through Sontek, firing it as they went.

On the 10th instant Mr. Davis and Lieutenant Maxwell brought up extra rations, and on the 11th Khutte was killed. It had been burned beforehand, however, by the villagers. After a brief skirmish Moungjunc was captured on the 12th, the enemy attempting to ambush the path, and losing several men. A rapid advance prevented the enemy from firing this village of 600 houses.

On the 13th inst. a halt was made to endeavour to negotiate with Moungjunc, but in the evening one sepoy was killed, and one wounded, by a party of the enemy lying in ambush at the water-supply. The upper half of the village was immediately burned, and at night the enemy tried to burn out our party by firing the lower half. On the 14th two parties ascended the neighbouring hill, burning Khokak. The enemy were ambushed at the water-supply by our sepoys, and one was killed.

On the 15th and 16th Kokchun, Yau, and Lungtang were burned, and on the 17th the force returned from Noksen to Mongseid.

LONDON, January 26th.
The prospectus of the Delhi, Umballa, and Kalka Railway has been issued. The capital of the Company is £800,000, of which nearly a quarter of a million has been privately subscribed. The Company will receive fifty per cent. of the gross receipts, under their working agreement. The Secretary of State, owing to the policy of the Government, will cease to guarantee interest.

RANGAMATI, January 27th.
Serious raiding is reported to have occurred between the 8th and 10th instant in the Upper Chengli Valley, about 43 miles north-west of Rangamati. Small bands of Kukis attacked some 24 villages, and 54 bodies of men, women and children have been found. All the males were scalped. The number carried off is unknown, but must be large. The raids were committed in the Mong Rajah's lands, in British territory, close to the border line of independent Tipperah.

A village in Hill Tipperah is reported to have been in flames. The leaders are supposed to be Lalura and Lalbuta; the latter is the son of Savanga Sylo. Even the cattle, pigs and goats were found hacked to pieces in the villages. Nearly every village had been burned.
It seems probable that the offenders belong to the same body who committed the outrage at the Pakuma Rani's village.

RANG-ON, January 27th.
The situation at Sawlon is unchanged. There has been no sign of Sawlon whose last day of grace expires today. Nothing authentic is known as to his whereabouts, but it is generally thought possible that he is making his way across the Salween to Kiangtong. Mr. Scott, Assistant Superintendent of the Shan States, left Maikine on the 7th for Sonten ferry with a small detachment to intercept him. A reconnaissance of 150 Infantry and 60 Mounted Infantry under Colonel Sartorius was to start today for Yonatha on the Salween.

Advices from Mogoung state that the expedition against the Lepel Kachyens left Mogoung on the 7th. The force was commanded by Lieutenant O'Donnell, Commandant of the Police. The force was composed of two guns, No. 2 Bengal Mountain Battery under Lieutenant Fuller, 30 of the Hampshire under Captain Macdonald, and Lieutenant Richards, 106 of the Gurkhas, 113 of the Sikhs and Military Police. The column, after marching through thick jungle paths, arrived on the 11th near Kamaing. Finding Kamaing stockaded and in a position difficult for Infantry to attack without probable loss of life, the mountain guns shelled the position, while Infantry fired volleys into it. The Kachyens fled, and Kamaing was successfully taken without loss of life. The enemy's loss is unknown. A police post is to be established at Kamaing, garrisoned by 130 Gurkhas, 20 Sikhs, and the Military Police.

Small-pox has broken out among the Gurkhas of the expedition, and measures are being taken to segregate those affected, but this outbreak of disease somewhat delays the advance of the expedition.

Authentic details regarding the death of Mr. Perreau, the District Superintendent of Police at Thayetmyo, on the 31st ultimo, show beyond doubt that the act was that of a band of dacoits encamped on the opposite side of a creek near the bungalow of Myohiti, where Mr. Perreau and Mr. Baines were resting. Attracted by light from the bungalow the dacoits sent one of their number across who, seeing the opportunity, fired from outside, killing one, and seriously wounding the other. Mr. Baines is progressing.

A correspondent at Mandalay, where the Chief Commissioner is, says that the latter, who has been in indifferent health lately.

General Sir George White and General Faunce, on the 22nd instant, reconnoitred to the summit of the Sathia Range, and to within about two miles of the capital of the Sijia Chins, who made considerable resistance, killing one Gurkha, and seriously wounding another, besides slightly injuring a few with stones, which they hurled down on the advancing troops. The force carried every position. The troops had a very heavy day.

On the 27th instant General Sir George White in the Thayetmyo stockade, on the Sijia river, heliographed to Major Raikes, the Political Officer at Toung that all the troops there were engaged with the Chins, who were in considerable strength, and very strongly posted in a long stockade, and the available men from the Sijia stockade had gone to the front, and two guns had been left at Kamale.

On the same date Colonel McGregor returned to Sibauing. He has been ordered to Ramlabe with 200 men of the 44th Gurkhas. It is hoped that the capital of the Sijia Chins will be occupied at once.

Mr. Pockett, Inspector of Police, Pokoku, has obtained the release of 31 persons captured recently by the Chins.

NORTH CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

A meeting of the Committee was held on the 13th instant to decide in what manner the funds at their disposal, amounting to about £15,70,000, should be distributed.

The following telegram dated 12th Feb. from the Viceroy of the Two Kiang, Tsing Kuo-ch'ian, to the Shanghai Tai Tai Kung, and Jen Tao-tai, was laid before the Committee:—
"The Anhui famine is more than ever severe. At this moment, when the crops are still in the blade, the distribution of charity is eagerly awaited. I have already commissioned the Tao-tai Kuei, Shen, and others to convey large sums to Ying-chow, Feng-yang, Li-chow, Ho-fai, Hui-chow, Ch'ian-chiao, and other places to make an additional general distribution. The subscriptions received by the Treasury Department are insufficient to meet requirements. I know that the foreign subscriptions have reached a total of about \$50,000. This is a great sum

the foreign merchants take pleasure in benevolent actions, and it is very deeply recorded in my heart. I earnestly entreat the Committee to consult with the Tao-tai Jen and Kung, and to remit the foreign subscription to Nanking as soon as possible in order to help in relief and in saving of life." Ch'ian [seal].

General Mesny, who had returned on the previous day from the famine district, then gave an account of his journey, fully confirming the reports previously received by the Committee of the severity of the distress, and the great efforts of the officials and gentry to cope with it. Owing to their exertions, the lives of the sufferers had up to the present been preserved, but their great numbers, and the extent of the districts requiring relief involved the expenditure of such enormous sums that the authorities were at a loss how to raise sufficient funds to keep the people alive till the spring harvest is gathered. He had visited Ho-fai-hsien and Ting-yuan-hsien in Anhui, and Tan-t'u, Tan-yang, and Kiang-yin in Kiangsu. The distress in all these places is very great, but the places most urgently in need of immediate relief are in Anhui. There were many other places in need of help which he had not been able to visit owing to lack of time and difficulty of travelling. He spoke most favourably of the native system of relief which appeared to be very efficiently and honestly conducted, and he considered that the Committee could not do better than to make use of this means of distributing funds.

It was decided to make the following division of the funds at the disposal of the Committee:—
To be conveyed by General Mesny to Nanking, thence to the different districts, where it is most needed as directed by the Tis. Viceroy \$50,000
To be sent by wire to H.B.M.'s Consul at Newchwang 10,000
To be remitted by H.B.M.'s Consul at Chien 10,000
At the request of the Committee, General Mesny also undertook to give his services in supervising the distribution of the funds at the different centres of relief.—N. C. Daily News.

CHEFOO.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)
Chefoo, 26th January, 1889.

Considerable apprehension is felt with regard to the safety of the inhabitants in the small villages to the westward of Chefoo, owing to a number of soldiers, estimated at 250, having been mutilated at the forts, which are situated some six miles from here. It is reported that they have killed one of the officers, and decamped with arms and ammunition, and have shaped a course to the southward and westward, probably with the intention of plundering the outlying villages. It is rumoured that the cause of this disturbance originated from the decapitation of one of their comrades yesterday morning at the forts, but many attribute it to the non-payment of some two months arrears of pay through some red-tape transaction of the officials. These soldiers only receive 1s. 3d. per month, but by the time the money has passed through the hands of the many officials, the rightful owner finds that it has dwindled down to about two dollars, which is truly a miserable pittance, especially during such a festive season. Therefore it is supposed that these soldiers, not caring about submitting to this time-honoured "ing" process, forcibly resented it by carrying off whatever they could lay hands on.

Three or four of the soldiers have been captured, and will probably be sent to Port Arthur for trial.—Shanghai Mercury.

To-day's Advertisements.

GREEN ISLAND COMPANY, LIMITED.

A MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held on SATURDAY, the 2nd of March, at the Office of the Company, 62 Queen's Road Central, at HALF-PAST TWO O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON.
C. EWENS, General Manager.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1889. [230]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.'s Office, Pedder's Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th March, 1889, at 12 O'CLOCK (NOON), to receive a Statement of Accounts and Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1888.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
ISAAC HUGHES, Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1889. [232]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 6, Queen's Road, Victoria, at THREE O'CLOCK in the AFTERNOON, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of March, 1889, for the purpose of confirming the Resolution passed at the Meeting held this day, the 19th February, 1889.

By Order,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1889. [231]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 7th March, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report from the General Agents, with a Statement of Accounts, to the 31st of December, 1888.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1889. [233]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"PEKIN"

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next outward English Mail.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1889. [234]

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY will Repeat GILBERT & SULLIVAN'S OPERETTA

"IOLANTHE,"

ON SATURDAY,

the 23rd February, 1889.

Doors open at 8.30 P.M. Performance to commence at 9 O'CLOCK P.M.

Tickets may be obtained from Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. on MONDAY, 18th instant, at 9 A.M.

Tickets for Back Seats of the Stalls may be had at the Door of the Theatre on the evening of the Performance.—Price, \$1.

R. LYALI, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1889. [190]

ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

A CONCERT will be given in the above Hall,

ON WEDNESDAY,

February 27th, in Aid of

THE HONGKONG 'BRANCH' OF THE SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' FAMILIES' AID ASSOCIATION.

Under the Distinguished Patronage of Mrs. GORDON CAMERON, Mrs. MAXWELL, Mrs. BEL IRVING, &c., &c., &c.

Doors open at 8.30 P.M. To commence at 9 O'CLOCK P.M.

Tickets—\$2 each, can be obtained at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH, LD.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1889. [199]

For Sale.

FOR SALE.

A BROADWOOD GRAND PIANO \$150, Cash. Apply to B. C., Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 16th February, 1889. [216]

Consignees.

UNION LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLEBRO, LONDON, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "HIGHFIELD," Captain Sir pson, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Under-signed for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Steamer will be at once landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense, and no Fire Insurance will be effected.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 25th instant or they will not be recognised.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1889. [222]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG, AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "JAPAN" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at West Point, whence delivery may be obtained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 24th instant, will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are hereby informed, that all claims must be made immediately, as none will be entertained after the 22nd instant.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 18th February, 1889. [219]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo per Steamship "CITY OF PEKING."

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th February, 1889. [2]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "CARDIGANSHIRE," FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES OF Cargo are hereby informed, that all goods, are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining after the 20th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 20th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 13th February, 1889. [168]

Intimations.

BANK HOLIDAYS.

HONGKONG RACES.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business, at NOON, TO-MORROW, THURSDAY, and FRIDAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd instant.

For the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LONDON, AND CHINA, JOHN THURBURN, Manager, Hongkong.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA, AND CHINA, T. H. WHITEHEAD, Manager, Hongkong.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.

For the COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, CHANTREY INCHBALD, Agent, Hongkong.

For the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, E. W. RUTTER, Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 15th February, 1889. [212]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1889.

WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY, & FRIDAY, the 20th, 21st, and 22nd February.

RULE 15.—Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure. For Members of the Jockey Club, Free; for Non-Members \$5 for the Meeting. For Admission to Grand Stand \$1 for the Meeting.

RULE 6.—Tickets of Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure to be had on application to E. W. RUTTER, Esq., Honorary Treasurer. No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Gate-keeper.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 12th February, 1889. [198]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the Ladies at the Grand Stand and Enclosure during the Races on the 20th, 21st, and 22nd instant.

H. J. H. TRIPP, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 14th February, 1889. [204]

NAVAL CONTRACTS, 1889-90.

SEALED TENDERS, in Duplicate, will be received at H. M. NAVAL YARD until 10 A.M. on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, from Persons desirous of SUPPLYING the Undermentioned ARTICLES for the use of H. M. Navy for the year 1889-90.

BISCUIT, FRESH MILK, SOFT BREAD, RAISINS, FLOUR, RICE, FRESH BEEF, SUGAR, FRESH VEGETABLES, FRESH POTATOES, FRESH WATER.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the NAVAL STOREKEEPER'S OFFICE.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.

W. H. LOBE, Naval and Victualling Storekeeper.
Hongkong Naval Yard, 18th February, 1889. [218]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd day of February next, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1888.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1889. [130]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the REGISTERS OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 9th, to SATURDAY, the 23rd February next (both days inclusive) during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
G. E. NOBLE, Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 24th January, 1889. [131]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

Commercial.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—170 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$115 per share, sellers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$81 per share, sellers.
 North China Insurance—Tls. 290 per share, buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$115 per share, sellers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tls. 100 per share, sellers.
 Chinese Insurance Company—\$160 per share, sellers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 150, per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$380 per share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$85 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, 31 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$225 per share, sellers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—175 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$170 per share, nominal.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—par, sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$72 per share, buyers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$215 per share, sellers.
 Luen Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$93 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$97 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$124 per share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—24 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 E—11 per cent. premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$200 per share, nominal.
 Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$5 per share, nominal.
 Punjom and Sunghie Dua Samantan Mining Co.—\$30 per share, sales and sellers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—89 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—100 per cent. premium, buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—210 per cent. premium, sellers.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$50 per share, sellers.
 The Seng Lee Planting Co., Ltd.—\$42 per share, sellers.
 Crickbank & Co., Ltd.—\$45 per share, sellers.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—100 per cent. premium, nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.—20 per cent. dis. buyers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—30 per cent. prem. sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$22 per share, buyers.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/6
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/6
 Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/6
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6
 Credits at months' sight 3/6
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/6
 ON PARIS.—Bank, T. T. 3/7
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 3/8
 ON INDIA, T. T. 220
 ON DEMAND.—220
 ON SHANGHAI.—Bank, T. T. 712
 Private, 30 days' sight 712

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul.....\$530
 (Allowance, Tals 68).
 OLD MALWA, per picul.....\$550 to \$580
 (Allowance, Tals 68).
 NEW PATNA, (without choice) per chest.....\$567
 NEW PATNA, (first choice) per chest.....\$570
 NEW PATNA, (bottom) per chest.....\$577
 NEW PATNA, (second choice) per chest.....\$565
 NEW BENARES, (without choice) per chest.....\$543
 NEW BENARES, (bottom) per chest.....\$555
 NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul.....\$550
 OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul.....\$550
 OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul.....\$475

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
 The Norddeutscher Lloyd steamer *Sachsen*, carrying the German mails, with date from Berlin of the 22nd ultimo, left Singapore at 5 a.m. on the 16th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 21st.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
 The O. & O. S. Co.'s steamer *Arabic*, with the American mail, from San Francisco on the 24th ultimo, left Yokohama on the 15th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 21st.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
 The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s steamer *Wing-sang*, with the Indian mail, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 18th instant, and is expected here on the 24th.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.
 The Canadian Pacific steamer *Parilla* left Shanghai for this port on the 17th instant, at noon, and is expected here on the 20th.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The D. D. R. steamer *Electra*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 13th instant, and is due here on the 20th.
 The steamer *Afghan*, from Glasgow and Liverpool, left Singapore for this port on the 18th instant, and is expected here on the 25th.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.
 MELBOURNE. French steamer, 2,567, Vimont, 18th Feb., Shanghai 16th Feb., Mails and General.—Messageries Maritimes.
 TOONAN. Chinese steamer, 932, J. Warwick, 18th Feb.—Chinkiang 15th Feb., Rice.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 PEKIN. British steamer, 2,131, P. Harris, 19th Feb.—London, via Bombay 1st Feb., and Singapore 13th, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 PEKIN. German steamer, 954, G. Hebermann, 19th Feb.—Shanghai 16th Feb., General.—Siemens & Co.
 BENLID. British steamer, 1,435, C. H. Clark, 19th Feb.—Singapore 15th Feb., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

HEROINE, British cruiser, 3rd-class, 1,420 tons, 1,130 horse-power, 8 guns, Captain Charles J. Halford, 19th February.—Shanghai 14th February.
 SWIFT, British gun-vessel, 2nd-class, 755 tons, 1,010 horse-power, 5 guns, Hon. R. Bingham, 19th Feb.—Manila 14th February.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
Piccola, German steamer, for Amoy.
Yangtze, German steamer, for Shanghai.
Thales, British steamer, for Amoy.
Strathleven, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.
Fook-ching, British steamer, for Singapore.

DEPARTURES.

February 19, *Hideyoshi Maru*, Japanese str., for Kutchinotzu.
 February 19, *Piccola*, German str., for Amoy.
 February 19, *Sarthe*, French str., for Hilo.
 February 19, *Yangtze*, French str., for Shanghai.
 February 19, *Dagla*, Spanish str., for Amoy, &c.
 February 19, *Strathleven*, British steamer, for Singapore, &c.
 February 19, *Diamond*, British str., for Amoy.
 February 19, *Nansing*, British str., for Amoy.
 February 19, *Bengale*, French bark, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Pekin*, str., from London for Hongkong.—Dr. W. H. Lloyd, Commodore Church, Messrs. T. Ford, Whittier, R. C. Wilcox, A. Simpson, and Mrs. G. M. March, 3 children, from Brindisi.
 Messrs. C. D. March, R. Finnie, and E. G. Rees, from Bombay.—Mr. C. H. Clausen, from Colombo.—Mr. J. Whitridge, from Singapore.—Mrs. Davidson and 3 children, Miss Lecky, Rev. M. V. B. Knox, Messrs. Robt. Hodsoll, H. M. Becher, Oh Bee, Koh Foo Teck, Mr. Eone and servant for Korea, from London for Shanghai.—Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Mr. Rawcliffe, and Mr. Jocke's man servant, from Naples.—Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, from London for Yokohama.—Mr. and Mrs. Liberty, Reguelly, Kohm, East, and P. Strauss, from Malta.—Colonel and Mrs. Holdsworth, from Port Said.—Mr. F. Clayton, from Sydney.—Mr. F. R. Robinson, from Calcutta.—Mr. C. Wallis, from Bombay.—Mr. G. B. Miller, from Penang.—Mr. C. Sootter and servant, from Singapore.—Mr. G. P. Barlow and servant.

Per *Melbourne*, str., from Shanghai for Hongkong.—Mrs. V. L. O. Wintle, Mrs. Wallace, Messrs. T. Jackson, J. M. L. Brown, Count Butler, E. Cameon, Taylor, Malton, Donald Spence, A. Shewan, E. J. Smith, Sydney Dalmer, H. W. T. Butler, E. H. Gore Booth, J. P. da Silva and servant, Le Baron de Gumburg, and 8 Chinese, from Yokohama.—Mr. Le Duc, from Shanghai for Amoy.—Mrs. Romancet, from Yokohama for Saigon.—Mr. and Mrs. Cotel, from Saigon.—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie and child, for Singapore.—Mr. Schmidt, for Marilla.—Messrs. Yamada, Oshima, Yotora, Tsourouda, Nishimura, Mitsutaro, Kiyawara, Tokuda, and Wasuke Lata, from Kobe.—Mr. Frandon (French Consul), Mrs. Frandon, 2 children and servant, per *Peking*, str., from Shanghai.—26 Chinese.
 Per *Thales*, str., from Swatow, &c.—1 European and 50 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Piccola*, str., for Amoy. 60 Chinese.
 Per *Nansing*, str., for Amoy.—200 Chinese.

DEPART.

Per *Melbourne*, str., from Hongkong for Saigon.—Revs. Faron and Grand, Sister Agnes, and 6 Chinese, for Singapore.—Mr. Galitzky, for Colombo.—4 Chinese, for Marilla.—Dr. Richard Young, Dev. Samuel G. Tope, Messrs. J. D. Stephens, Windsor, and R. Fontaine.
 Per *Thales*, str., for Swatow, &c.—1 European and 50 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British gun-vessel *Swift* reports that she left Manila on the 14th instant. Experienced fresh monsoon from north to north-east; thence strong south-south-west current.
 The Chinese steamer *Toonan* reports that she left Chinkiang on the 15th instant. Had calm and very fine weather to Turnabout; thence to port had moderate north-east monsoon and fine weather.

The German steamer *Peking* reports that she left Shanghai on the 16th instant. Had light northerly and north-west wind to Peshans; from there to port moderate north-east wind and fine weather throughout.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Shanghai.—Per *Pekin*, to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 9.00 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, Calcutta, and Mauritius.—Per *Melbourne*, to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 11.00 A.M.
 For Haiphong.—Per *Freije*, to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
 For Haiphong.—Per *Marie*, to-morrow, the 20th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.
 AFENRADE, German steamer, 1,473, Hohlmann, 21st Jan.—Nagasaki 17th Jan., Coal.—Wieler & Co.
 ASHINGTON, British steamer, 809, Zindel, 1st February.—Stemmen & Co.
 BENLAWERS, British steamer, 1,530, A. Webster, 18th Feb.—Kobe 8th Feb., Coals and General.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
 CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, Bremner, 17th Feb.—Whampoa 17th Feb., General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 CITY OF PEKING, American steamer, 5,079, W. H. Seabury, 14th Feb.—San Francisco 15th Jan., and Yokohama 9th Feb., Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.
 DON JUAN, Spanish steamer, 654, J. M. Marques, 1st Feb.—Manila 25th Jan., General.—Brandao & Co.
 FOKIK, British steamer, 109, J. Lewis, 10th Feb.—Tamsui 7th Feb., Amoy 8th, and Swatow 9th, General.—D. Laprak & Co.
 FREJE, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund, 18th Feb.—Haiphong 16th February, General.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
 GENERAL WERDER, German steamer, 1,820, von Schuckmann, 15th Feb.—Yokohama, via Kobe, and Nagasaki, 6th Feb., Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.
 HIGHFIELD, British steamer, 1,765, Simpson, 17th Feb.—London via Singapore 7th Feb., General.—Russell & Co.
 JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, T. T. Gardner, 18th Feb.—Canton 30th January, Penang 7th Feb., and Singapore 10th, General.—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
 KENT, British steamer, 1,617, F. Johnston, 15th Feb.—Cardiff 25th December, Coal.—Messageries Maritimes.
 KHIVA, British steamer, 1,452, E. Crewe, 15th Feb.—Bombay 26th January, and Singapore 7th February, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 MARIE, German steamer, 704, Ch. Hundewadt, 17th Feb.—Haiphong 15th Feb., Rice.—A. R. Marty.
 NANSING, British steamer, 805, J. Blackburn, 19th Feb.—Bangkok 10th Feb., Rice and Wood.—Hop Hing Hong.

HONGKONG—STEAMERS.

Continued.
 NERBUDDA, British steamer, 1,048, T. E. Gillett, 16th Feb.—Batavia, via Singapore, and Saigon, 1st February, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 PAKSHAN, British steamer, 835, James Young, 11th Feb.—Amoy 10th Feb., Ballast.—Hop Hing Hong.

PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, A. Benson, 14th Feb.—Bangkok 7th Feb., Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong.
 PORT DARWIN, British steamer, 1,628, R. Morgan, 16th Feb.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 25th January, Coals.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
 PROMETHEUS, British steamer, 1,538, J. K. Webster, 18th Feb.—Liverpool 29th Dec., and Singapore 11th Feb., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIYUAN, British steamer, 1,500, A. Varden, 13th Jan.—Wellington, N.Z., 24th Nov., and Sourabaya 25th Dec., General.—Butterfield & Swire.

TANNADICE, British steamer, N. Shannon, 18th Feb.—Sydney 25th January, Cape Moreton 27th, Townsville 30th, Cooktown 31st, Thursday Island 3rd Feb., and Port Darwin 8th, General.—Russell & Co.
 THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 17th Feb.—Taiwanfo 12th Feb., Amoy 14th, and Swatow 16th, General.—D. Laprak & Co.
 VORWARTS, German steamer, 612, T. Bruhn, 16th Feb.—Haiphong 19th Feb., Rice and General.—Wieler & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ARCHOS, British bark, 419, Hansen, 8th Feb., Amoy 6th February, Coal.—Chinese.
 ADAM W. SPIES, American bark, 1,774, A. D. Field, 22nd Jan.—Newcastle, N.S.W., 3rd Dec., Coals.—Russell & Co.
 AUGUSTA, German bark, 473, Jensen, 5th Dec.—Hilo 18th Nov., Sanpanwood—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
 COLOMA, American bark, 852, C. M. Wages, 24th Dec.—Portland (Oregon) 2nd Nov., Lumber and Spars.—Captain.
 EMZ, British bark, 778, W. Summers, 23rd Jan.—London 2nd October, General.—Melchers & Co.
 ESCORT, American bark, 636, Waterhouse, 20th Jan.—Honolulu 14th December, Ballast.—Captain.
 JOHN NICHOLSON, British steamer, 685, W. Quine, 18th Dec.—Honolulu 16th Nov., Ballast.—Captain.
 MERKURY, British schooner, 361, David Thomas, 4th Feb.—Fremantle 22nd Dec., Sandalwood.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
 STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,467, Nickels, 1st Feb.—Shanghai 27th Jan., General.—Pustau & Co.

Insurances.

THE STANDARD
 A SCOTTISH LIFE OFFICE OF 63 YEARS STANDING AND ONE OF THE WEALTHIEST OF THE PROVIDENT INSTITUTIONS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

WHEN it is remembered that a Life Assurance Contract may not fall to be fulfilled for a quarter or even half a century after being entered into, it will be readily understood how important it is to the Policyholder that the past record as well as the present management of the Office should be of the highest possible character. The Standard has a long record of past good services to refer to; its Funds are increasing, amount to £6,000,000; and all modern features consistent with safety have been adopted.
 THE BORNEO COMPANY, LD., Agents, Hongkong.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED).
 CAPITAL TAELS 600,000 } \$333,333-33
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BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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 MARINE RISKS ON GOODS, &c., taken at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the world.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST, Hongkong, 17th December, 1888. [88]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
 CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED.....\$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES ON GOODS, &c. Policy granted to all parts of the world payable at any of its Agencies.
 WOO LIN YUEN Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE, No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST, Hongkong, 1st February, 1889. [152]

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VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1026.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 22nd instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely.
 Hongkong, 18th February, 1889. [126]

Intimations.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
 WEEKLY SPOON COMPETITION.
 900 YARDS, 10 SHOTS.

ENTRANCE FEE 10 Cents, payable on the Ground.
 NEXT SATURDAY, the 23rd February, at 4 O'CLOCK.
 One Sighting Shot allowed.
 THURSDAY AFTERNOONS the Range is reserved for Practice at 800 and 900 Yards.
 A. SHELTON HOOPER, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1889. [158]

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO., CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK-MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS. CHARTS AND BOOKS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS. Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches, awarded the highest Prize at every Exhibition; and for Voigtlander and Sohn's CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES, MARINE GLASSES, and GLASSES. No. 4, Queen's Road Central. [167]

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Benledi	Singapore	February 19th	Gibb, Livingston & Co.
Electra	Hamburg	February 20th	Siemens & Co.
Parilla	Vancouver	February 20th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Amic	San Francisco	February 21st	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Sachsen	Bremen	February 21st	Melchers & Co.
Wingsang	Calcutta	February 24th	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Afghan	Liverpool	February 25th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Shannon	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 27th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Dardanus	Butterfield & Swire	February 22nd.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Melbourne	Messageries Maritimes	To-morrow, at noon.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	City of Peking	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Feb. 21st, at noon.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	Arabic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Mar. 3rd, daylight.
New York	Albany	Adamson, Bell & Co.	February 26th.
Vancouver, B.C., via A. & C.	Parilla	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Mar. 7th, at 3 p.m.
Port Darwin, &c.	Taiyuan	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, daylight.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice	Russell & Co.	Feb. 27th, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Khiva	Melchers & Co.	Mar. 17th, at 10 a.m.
Kobe and Yokohama	Benledi	Ah Yon & Co.	Feb. 21st, at 4 p.m.
Tientsin, via Swatow	Kwongsang	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Feb. 22nd, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Prometheus	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.	Feb. 22nd, at noon.
Shanghai	Pekin	Melchers & Co.	About Feb. 22nd.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Sachsen	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Feb. 20th.
Haiphong, via Swatow	Prometheus	Butterfield & Swire	About Feb. 27th.
Swatow and Bangkok	P. C. Chom Kiao	Yuen Fat Hong	Quick despatch.
Swatow, Amoy, &c.	Thales	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Quick despatch.
		A. R. Marty	February 26th.
		Yuen Fat Hong	Feb. 21st, daylight.
		Douglas Laprak & Co.	To-morrow, at 8 a.m.
			To-morrow, daylight.

Intimations.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
 PAYMENT OF 6TH DIVIDEND.

A 6TH DIVIDEND of 6 1/2% on all claims against the Hongkong Branch of the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, which have been approved by the Court of Chancery will be paid at the Offices of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, on and after MONDAY, the 17th March next.
 Creditors are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividends and to produce the letter they hold from the Official Liquidator admitting their claims in order that the payment of the 6th Dividend may be endorsed thereon.

PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND IN ADVANCE UNDER DISCOUNT.

THE Official Liquidator, by arrangement with the Assets Realisation Co., is prepared, to pay in advance to Creditors willing to receive such payment, in FULL DISCHARGE of THEIR CLAIMS the Dividend of 4 3/4% payable in the year 1890, UNDER A DISCOUNT OF FIVE TWELFTHS PER CENT.

Creditors who are willing to accept payment of the Final Dividend, less discount as above, are requested to communicate with the undersigned BEFORE THE END OF THE CURRENT MONTH.

E. W. RUTTER, Agent for the Official Liquidator, Oriental Bank Corporation, in Liquidation, 2, Queen's Road, Hongkong, 6th February, 1889. [176]

MASONIC BALL.
 IN consequence of the lamented death of Admiral CHANDLER, the Masonic Ball is POSTPONED from Friday, the 15th instant, to MONDAY, the 25th February next.

ALF. WOOLLEY, Hon. Sec.
 Hongkong, 14th February, 1889. [206]

PUBLIC NOTICE OF EXPIRY OF OPIUM FARM.

THE Exclusive PRIVILEGE of BOILING and PREPARING OPIUM so Boiled or Prepared will CEASE on the 28th day of February, 1889. No boiled or prepared Opium purchased from us or our Licensees can be used after the 3rd day of March, 1889, at Noon, without the consent of the New Holder of such exclusive privilege as aforesaid.

Dated 25th January, 1889.
 KHOO TEONG POH, AND CHEAK TEK SOON, Opium Farmers.

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.
 NOTICE.
 CUSTOMERS are requested to SETTLE all OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS on or before the 1st proximo.

By Order of the Board of Directors, R. LYALL, Secretary. [209]

WINN & KIMBALL, DENTAL SURGEONS, Shanghai, Hongkong, and Yokohama.

RESUME PRACTICE from this date, at 16, Bank Buildings.

R. H. KIMBALL, Hongkong, 15th February, 1889. [213]

NOTICE.
 JEY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned have this day been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and are prepared to supply quantities to suit purchasers, at Wholesale Prices, Extra Special terms for Shipping and Large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board London, says "It is the best Disinfectant in use."

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co., Bank Buildings, Hongkong, 1st October, 1888. [112]

FOR SALE, WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, WATERBURY WATCHES, the Handiest, Cheapest, and Best Time-keepers Invented.

REPAIRS NEVER EXCEED 50 CENTS for each Watch.

Orders from Outposts to be accompanied with Remittance for Cost.

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, (Sole Agents in Japan and China for the Sale of the above Watches), 10, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, Opposite Marine House.

Hongkong, 29th August, 1888. [113]

G. FALCONER & CO., FACTURERS AND JEWELLERS, NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. No. 48, Queen's Road Central. [604]

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

OREGON FINE SPARS and LUMBER Always on Hand. L. MALLORY. Hongkong, 24th June, 1881. [695]

Intimations.

CUSTOM HOUSE, Kowloon, 16th February, 1889.
 NOTICE is hereby given that on the 20th, 21st and 22nd instants, being RACE DAYS, this Office will be Opened at 9 A.M. and Closed at NOON; but work at the Opium Examination Haul and the Customs Stations will proceed as usual.
 F. A. MORGAN, Commissioner of Customs, for Kowloon and District.

NOTICE.

LAWRENCE & MAYO'S PERFECT PEBBLER



Are clear, cool, & preserving to the Sight

MR. LAWRENCE is now in Hongkong and may be consulted at the VICTORIA HOTEL FOR 14 DAYS ONLY (till the 26th instant).

Mr. LAWRENCE'S Pamphlet "Ignorance the cause of numerous Eye Diseases" free on application.

LAWRENCE & MAYO, OPTICIAN, CALCUTTA, LONDON, CALCUTTA AND BOMBAY. Hongkong, 11th February, 1889. [191]

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to CLOSE